## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: CLOTHIER, BRIAN L.	) )
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Title: THERMAL SEAT AND THERMAL DEVICE DISPENSING AND VENDING SYSTEM EMPLOYING RFID-BASED INDUCTION HEATING DEVICES	) ) Group Art Unit No.: ) Examiner: )

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The present preliminary amendment is filed in a continuation application in response to an Office Action, dated April 8, 2003, in the parent application. Consideration of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested prior to examination of the continuation application on the merits.

## In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2-5, 7-11, and 13-16 without prejudice or disclaimer.